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SUBJECT: F-5 TRAINING FOR YAR AIR FORCE

REF: JIDDA'S 5774 AND 5999

1. WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE ANY POLICY PROBLEM IN GIVING POSITIVE RESPONSE TO ONE-YEAR ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING IN SAUDI ARABIA FOR YAR PERSONNEL WHO WILL EVENTUALLY ENTER F-5 TECHNICAL AND MECHANICAL TRAINING BUT WE WILL NEED TO SUBMIT TO CONGRESS 30-DAY NOTIFICATION PRIOR TO CONSENT OF SAUDI TRANSFER FOR THIS TRAINING.

2. FOR PURPOSES OF OUR SUBMISSION, NEED ANSWERS FOLLOWING QUESTIONS SOONEST:

A) WILL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING BE CONDUCTED BY SAG OR BY U.S. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL UNDER FMS? IF BOTH ARE GOING TO DO IT, WE NEED BEST ESTIMATE OF WHO WILL DO WHAT. FYI:

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IF U.S. CONTRACTOR INVOLVED, IT WILL REQUIRE AMENDMENT TO

EXISTING LOA. END FYI.

B) WHAT IS BEST ESTIMATE OF COST TO SAG OF THIS ONE-YEAR
TRAINING?

C) ARE ANY FURTHER YAR PERSONNEL EXPECTED TO ENTER INTO
THIS PROGRAM AND IF SO WHAT NUMBERS AND WHEN?

3. ONCE WE HAVE THIS INFORMATION, WE WILL PROMPTLY PROCEED
TO NOTIFY CONGRESS, AMEND THE LOA WITH THE CONTRACTOR IF
NECESSARY, AND CONCURRENTLY SEEK YAR TRANSFER ASSURANCES.
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